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TITLE: Mechanism for automatically adjusting date and
time of
user's event reminder e.g. on workstation - searches
schedule to detect overlapping events and adjust
user-defined timing of reminders so user does not
miss reminder for 2nd event while attending 1st

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BASIC-ABSTRACT:

Often users request multiple reminders for multiple events that are scheduled very closely and/or consecutively. The reminders are usually set for 10 to 15 minutes before an event. Often users receive the first reminder and then the others are followed, as scheduled, whether or not the user is present at his/her workstation. If users are not present at their workstation (e.g., attending a meeting) the reminder does not serve its purpose which is to inform the user of upcoming event(s). This mechanism searches the user's events schedule, e.g., users' Calendar, to detect any consecutive/overlapping events and adjust the user-defined date and time of those events reminders, if any.

The mechanism automates the adjustment of the user-defined data and time

of the events reminders in correlation with scheduled events on the users' Calendar. This includes a Reminder Service that can be explicitly or implicitly (via a profile) activated by users. The Reminder Service monitors the users' Calendars for the requested reminders. It specifically searches for the consecutive events that have pending reminders. If such conditions are detected the Reminder Service compares the date and time of the reminders and automatically resets the time and data of the next consecutive reminder(s) to an earlier time and date (e.g. it is grouped with an earlier reminder) which is not in conflict with.

ADVANTAGE - Automates adjustment of data and time of requestors' events reminders in correlation with scheduled events on users' Calendar. Eliminates users inconvenience to keep track and reschedule reminders. Prevents reminders from being missed, getting lost, or overlapped by other reminders and/or system messages. Enforces purpose of reminders and virtually eliminates losing reminders.

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USER
MISS SCHEDULE DETECT OVERLAP EVENT ADJUST USER DEFINE TIME SO USER
REMINDER EVENT

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